Batavia: NRC 2004: Convention Update ... From Scott Fybush: "Hard to believe, but we’re just a few weeks away from the NRC’s historic return to Western New York for the Batavia convention - and here are some important updates. First, and most important: Registration is NOW OPEN. Jerry Bond, 143 Burwell Road, Rochester NY 14617 - or by credit card/PayPal at http://www.nrcdxas.org/convention/04nrccon/

"Your registration covers all of the following: informative, educational convention packet (gotta get to work on the packet!); refreshments in the convention room from Thursday afternoon through Sunday morning; pizza/drinks at Jim Renfrew’s place Friday night and the banquet Saturday night. You’re on your own (for payment, anyway) for Thursday lunch in Toronto, Thursday dinner in Batavia, Friday lunch in Buffalo and Saturday lunch in Rochester. Registration for member spouses (banquet only) is $20.

"PLEASE register ASAP, as it’s important for us to try to get an accurate count of attendees. If you’d be so kind as to let us know which of the special events you’ll be taking part in (Toronto trip on Thursday, Buffalo station tours Friday, Rochester tours Saturday, Antique Wireless Association Museum tour Sunday afternoon), that would be super, too. And if you’re still going to be in town Sunday night and you’re interested in a minor-league baseball game (Rochester Red Wings vs. Buffalo Bisons), please let us know ASAP so I can look into group ticket rates!

"Second, we’ve now confirmed that the Rochester tours on Saturday will include the big 1-A clear channel flamethrower of the region, WHAM 1180! (Thanks to Craig Kincaid at Clear Channel Rochester for being our host for this tour). Rochester tours will also include WXXI 1370 and WHIC 1460, and perhaps a few more to be named shortly. We’re still nailing down the last of the Buffalo details, but expect some ‘flamethrowing’ announcements there too in the days to come.

"We’ve also confirmed our banquet speaker, Bob Savage, owner of WYSL 1040 in Avon NY and former DJ at WKBW 1520 and CKLW 800, just to name a few. Bob will share his stories of the glory days of top-40 AM radio and of the struggles and successes of being a small station owner today.

"Third, Jim Renfrew’s still collecting auction and door-prize material. Send it along to Jim at 6988 Bank Street Road, Byron NY 14422.

"Fourth, several of you have asked about activities for spouses/significant others. Lisa Fybush is planning a visit to the Genesee Country Village & Museum for Saturday. I think. In any case, if you’re interested in spousal tours, drop her a line at lisa@fybush.com.

"And finally, if you haven’t booked your room at the Days Inn yet, what are you waiting for? 585-343-1440 is the number to call. Do it today!

"There’s lots of information already available at the Batavia 2004 website, http://www.nrcdxas.org/convention/04nrccon/ - but if you have questions that aren’t answered there, I’m happy to answer them here or by phone or e-mail. See you - soon - in Batavia!" - Scott Fybush (for the NRC 2004 Team: Jerry Bond, Saul Chernos, Greg Coniglio, Rick Lucas, Jim Renfrew and Nolan Stephany).

From the Publisher ... See inside for announcements of the 25th edition NRC AM Log and the 3rd in the series of NRC Antenna Reference Manuals. The new Log will ship around Labor Day. Also: p. 15 for the annual Madison DX GTG.
NEW STATIONS ON THE AIR

- **870 KJMP** CO - Pierce - Reports indicate this new station is testing with 70s rock music and infrequent IDs. They were originally licensed for U4 5000/246 in 2000, but received an OK to change that to U4 1200/320 in March of this year. We assume they are using this latest power setup.

- **1400 KENT** UT - Parowan - New station with U1 800/800 is on the air.

- **1680 KTHH** WA - Seattle - Original license to operate has been issued. Facilities are U1 1000/1000 with religious programming.

CPs ON THE AIR

- **640 WVLG** FL - Wildwood - CP for U1 930/930 is on the air.

- **890 KLFF** CA - Arroyo Grande - CP for U2 5000/5000 is on the air.

- **980 KBBO** WA - Selah - CP for U4 5000/5000 is on the air.

- **990 KMSR** TX - Farmersville - After several attempts to come up with an acceptable set of facility parameters, the FCC has approved their current operation of U4 7000/920 from a three tower site at N33-07-01 W96-16-47.

- **1020 KYXE** WA - Union Gap - CP to build two new 180’ towers at N46-34-17 W120-27-15 with U5 4000/4000 and change city-of-license from Selah is on.

- **1040 KGGR** TX - Dallas - CP for D1 3300/00 CH 2800 is on the air.

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Status changes in AM stations, supplied by the FCC and listeners

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GRANTS TO EXISTING FACILITIES

- **550 WDEE** VT - Waterbury - Coordinate correction to N23-19-01 W72-24-07.
- **560 WCAI** NC - Elizabeth City - Coordinate correction to N36-20-16 W76-14-49.
- **560 WNSR** TN - Brentwood - CP granted to increase day and night power levels to become U5 4500/75.
- **710 WROM** GA - Rome - Coordinate correction to N34-15-11 W85-09-19.
- **710 WENR** VA - Blacksburg - Coordinate correction to N37-08-01 W80-21-18.
- **730 KULE** WA - Ephrata - Coordinate correction to N47-19-01 W119-33-46.
- **810 WJQ** WI - Tomahawk - CP granted to add nighttime operation as U1 990/13.
- **850 KICY** AK - Nome - CP granted to increase nighttime power to become U10 5000/000 CH 5000.
- **900 WCYV** NC - Granite Falls - CP granted to increase daytime power to become U1 2500/25.
- **910 KNEW** CA - Oakland - CP granted to increase daytime power to become U4 20000/5000 at adjusted coordinates of N37-53-45 W122-19-25.
- **930 WLSS** FL - Sarasota - CP granted to increase nighttime power to become U4 5000/3000.
- **930 WRRC** WV - Huntington - Coordinate correction to N38-24-03 W82-29-42.
- **960 WABG** MS - Greenwood - Coordinate correction to N33-53-18 W90-12-20.
- **990 WNOK** TN - Knoxville - Coordinate correction to N36-02-33 W93-53-59.
- **1130 WQIS** SC - Camden - CP granted to add night service. When operational will become U1 1000/7.
- **1150 KSAL** KS - Salina - Coordinate correction to N38-53-03 W97-31-02.
- **1150 WZMS** WI - Kimberly - Licensed for U4 5000/5000, station has a CP to increase both day and night power levels from a new 6-tower site to become U4 20000/2500.
- **1180 WXLA** MI - Dimondale - CP granted to increase daytime power and add CH operation. When built, will be D4 1000/000 CH 2000.
- **1230 WABN** VA - Abingdon - CP granted to relocate to new 195’ tower at N36-44-03 W81-58-18. Facilities remain U1 1000/1000.
- **1250 WMTR** NJ - Morristown - CP granted to add one tower to their current three in order to increase nighttime power. When built, will become U4 5000/7000.
- **1260 KWEI** ID - Weiser - CP granted to increase daytime power to become U1 10000/60.
- **1270 WCHS** IN - Hammond - Coordinate correction to N32-50-38 W81-07-32.
- **1380 WJIG** IN - Fort Wayne - CP granted to slightly alter the night pattern to where the peak of the lobe is at 334 degrees as opposed to the former 340 degrees. This "may" affect some DX.
- **1380 KMSU** OK - Muskogee - CP granted to erect six new towers about 15 miles north of their current site at N36-15-59 W95-58-15 with U4 7000/2500 and change the city-of-license to Sperry.
- **1400 KWLX** LA - Many - Coordinate correction to N31-34-30 W93-29-47.
- **1450 WBHF** GA - Cartersville - CP granted to move to new 296’ tower at N34-11-09 W84-48-13. Station remains U1 1000/1000.
- **1470 KYWY** TX - Abilene - Coordinate correction to N32-29-32 W99-45-07.

1230 KYYA NM - Gallup - CP for U1 920/920 is on the air at corrected coordinates of N35-32-02 W108-42-18.
1270 WCGC NC - Belmont - CP for U4 10000/500 is on the air.
1370 WVLG MD - Pikesville - CP for U4 50000/7700 is on the air.
1390 WKPA VA - Lynchburg - CP to move here (Ex: 1170), to increase day power and add night service as U4 4700/34 at corrected coordinates of N37-27-52 W79-07-21 is on the air. [Added data]
Applications for New Stations

AMENDMENTS TO CONSTRUCTION PERMITS SUBMITTED

- 620 WSNR NJ Jersey City - Licensed for U4 3000/7600, station has a CP to increase day and night power levels to become U4 7600/8500. This amendment is to further increase both power levels to become U4 15000/15000 from a new seven tower site at N40-48-42 W74-02-13.

- 810 KLDC CO Brighton - Licensed for U5 1000/7, station has a CP to build three towers at a second site for nighttime operation to go U4 2200/227. This amendment asks to change the nighttime power and pattern of its CP. If approved, they’ll be U4 2200/500, with the nighttime site at N39-50-36 W104-57-14.

GRANTS FOR NEW STATIONS

- 1520 WVOZ PR San Juan - CP granted to increase night power to become U4 2500/2500.
- 1530 WVBF MA Middletonborough Center - CP granted to increase daytime power and to add CH operation. When built, will be U1 2200/2 CH 940.
- 1560 KABI KS Abilene - CP granted to add night operation as U1 250/58.

APPLICATIONS FROM EXISTING FACILITIES

- 620 WGCV SC Cayce - Application is to increase daytime power to become U1 2500/126 at corrected coordinates of N33-57-34 W81-02-28.
- 640 WMFN MI Zeeland - Application is to add one tower and raise the day power to become U5 2500/230.
- 920 WMOK IL Metropolis - Applies to build four towers at a second site in order to increase their daytime power. When built, they will become U2 1000/750 from two sites. The proposed nighttime pattern is directed primarily to the south.
- 1000 KCEO CA Vista - This application covers the addition of one tower to their 3-tower site in order to raise their daytime power. If granted and built, they would become U4 5000/250.
- 1030 WUFL MI Sterling Heights - Application is to add one tower to their current two, and alter their pattern so the main lobe is aimed at 250 degrees with a smaller lobe off the back at 070 degrees. Also a coordinate correction to N42-36-17 W82-54-40.
- 1120 KANN UT Roy - The application covers a slight change to both patterns, making them closer to a ÒFlag 8Ó than present.
- 1210 KEBR CA Rocklin - This application covers a move to a new 6-tower transmitter site about 7 miles from the current facility, an increase in nighttime power to become U4 5000/1800, and a change in city-of-license to Arden-Arcade.
- 1260 WISO PR Ponce - The application covers moving their transmitter site approximately one mile to a new top-loaded 200Ó tower at N17-59-3 W66-38-12. No change in power or antenna specifications.
- 1280 KYRO MO Potosi - This application requests to "relocate KYRO's licensed antenna approximately 20 feet south of its current tower to an existing tower using folded unipole type excitation" (quoted from the application). Since the new tower (at N37-58-26 W90-45-50) is more efficient, they also propose to reduce the night power to become U1 500/70.
- 1310 WGSP NC Charlotte - Applies to increase daytime power to become U1 5000/44.
- 1430 KMRB CA San Gabriel - The application is to add three towers to their current three, although the current towers will be moved to achieve proper alignment, in order to raise both day and night power levels. They propose to multiplex the 1430 signal with that of KAZN-1300 and KALI-900. If granted, KMRB will become U4 5000/11000 from adjusted coordinates of N34-07-08 W118-04-54.
- 1440 KUHL CA Santa Maria - Coordinate correction to N34-58-48 W120-27-12.
- 1640 KDIA CA Vallejo - Applies to build 4 new 167Ó towers in a parallelogram arrangement at a second location in order to increase their nighttime power. If approved and built, they will become U2 10000/10000.

APPLICATIONS FOR EXISTING FACILITIES

AMENDMENTS TO APPLICATIONS

- 1180 WTOX VA Glen Allen - New station, not yet on the air, has had a number of applications and amendments on the books since 2001. Their latest attempt has finally been approved. When built, they will be U4 6300/1500 from 4 towers at N37-40-56 W77-33-50.

- 1480 WTXO VA - Application is to increase daytime power to become U1 2500/126 at corrected coordinates of N33-57-34 W81-02-28.
- 1500 KCEO CA Vista - This application covers the addition of one tower to their 3-tower site in order to raise their daytime power. If granted and built, they would become U4 5000/250.
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APPLICATIONS FOR NEW STATIONS

- 1210 NEW IL Cedarville - Application is for U4 2000/250. Cedarville is about 5 miles north of Freeport. An Auction 84 application which has made its way here!

- 1500 NEW NV Winchester - Application is for U2 1500/1500. Winchester is a suburb of Las Vegas.

AMENDMENTS TO APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED

- 660 KGDP CA Orcutt - Licensed for U4 10000/10000, station has a pending application for U4 50000/1000. This amendment applies to decrease the day power level and increase the night power level from a new 4-tower site. If approved and built, they would become U4 2500/5000 and change the city-of-license to Oildale, California.

- 710 WEGG DC Rose Hill - Licensed for D1 2500/0, station has a pending application to increase the power to become D1 2500/0. This amendment adds CH operation. If granted, they will become D1 2500/0 CH 2500.

- 910 WFWR GA Valdosta - Licensed for U2 5000/5000, station has a pending application to build five new towers at N30-16-35 W82-47-33 (a move of about 35 miles),
and change the city of license to Wellborn, Florida with U4 50000/5000. This amendment calls for a new site (N30-12:59 W82-51:39), this one with seven towers, again with Wellborn as Col., but with U4 35000/3000.

980 KICA NM Clovis - Licensed for U1 1400/172, KICA submitted an application to increase their daytime power to become U5 50000/50. The petitioned the request cing coverage overlaps with KSPV-990 and KMSR-990. This amendment alters the proposed directional pattern to alleviate the overlap.

1010 KCPW UT Tooele - Licensed for U8 50000/13 CH 3110, station has a CP to increase night time and daytime power to become U8 50000/125 CH 33500. This amendment asks to change the city-of-license to Magna, to build two new towers at a different site, and become U8 25000/220 CH 33500.

1030 NEW CA Elk Grove - This application, not yet approved, has applied for U4 50000/5000. This amendment lowers the nighttime power, making the reading U4 50000/1000.

1140 NEW FL Enosby - This application, not yet approved, submitted several amendments to their initial application for, and finally decided to go with U2 1000/220. They have petitioned the FCC to reconsider the application, this time with 5000 Watts as the proposed power.

1430 WATB GA Decatur - Licensed for D3 10000, station has an application to add one tower to the current three, raise daytime power, and add nighttime service to become U5 50000/160. This amendment slates the daytime pattern from 172 degrees to 182 degrees, giving better coverage to several co- and adja- cent-channel stations.

APPLICATIONS FROM EXISTING FACILITIES REINSTATED

1640 KDZR OR Lake Oswego - Licensed for U1 10000/1000, station applied for U2 10000/1000 which was initially turned down by the FCC. The owner (ABC, Inc.) asked that the request be reinstated and the FCC returned the request to pending status.

PETITIONS FOR RECONSIDERATION FOR APPLICATIONS

1050 KCHN TX Brookshire - Licensed for D3 410/0, they applied to build a new 4-tower site and add nighttime service as U4 410/2500 from two transmitter sites, but were turned down by the FCC. This amendment decreases the nighttime power level with a small pattern change. If granted, they will become U4 410/650.

1540 WADK RI Newport - Licensed for D1 10000, station applied to add two towers to their single stick and add nighttime service to become U2 1000/2000, but was turned down due to unacceptable interference to co-channel KXEL and WEDF. They have petitioned the FCC to reconsider the application, this time with 5000 Watts as the proposed power.

APPLICATIONS FROM PENDING STATIONS

1530 KSNA CA Shasta Lake City - New station, not yet on the air, has a CP for U3 1000/1000. File are on two amendments, both changing the antenna configuration to U4. This latest amendment asks for U4 1000/1000 at corrected coordinates of N40-40-48 W122-16-01.

LICENSE RENEWALS GRANTED

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1510 WLAC TN Nashville 1560 WSEZ IN Paoli 1580 WPKY KY Princeton
1520 WKVI IN Knox 1560 WRIN IN Rensselaer 1550 WZJJ MS Pascagoula-Moss
1520 WLSC KY Greenup 1560 WXKY KY Hazard 1590 Poin
1520 WRSKY TN Stanford 1560 WXDO KY Liberty 1570 WTRB TN Ripley
1530 WNWS TN Brownsville 1560 WPAD PA Paducah 1580 WLLU TN Shelbyville
1530 WDAAP TN Huntington 1560 WQBL TN Bolivar 1590 WNTS IN Beech Grove
1540 WADM IN Decatur 1560 WMRQ TN Gallatin 1590 WCRC IN Mount Vernon
1540 WLCO IN La Porte 1570 WILN IN Franklin 1580 WBLN KY Lebanon
1540 WMCB IN Marionville 1570 WILJ IN New Albany 1590 WATX TN Algood
1540 WAKY KY Greensburg 1570 WBLQ KY Morgantown 1590 WKTP TN Jonesborough
1540 WBXZ TN Woodbury 1570 WGLL IN Auburn 1580 WDBL TN Springfield
1540 WOCC IN Covington 1570 WKKS KY Vanceburg 1600 WBTO IN Linor
1540 WCVL IN Crawfordsville 1570 WNKR TN Center ville 1600 WARU IN Peru
1540 WNaN IN Sullivan 1600 WGAU KY Beaver Dam
1540 WBCV TN Bristol 1580 WCNB IN Connersville 1600 WTSY KY Eminence
1540 WCTY TN Clarksville 1560 WAMW IN Washington 1600 WMQW TN Lakeland

PETITIONS FOR RECONSIDERATION FOR DISMISSED AUCTION 84 APPLICATIONS

880 NEW AK Anchorage - Application was for U1 250/250 CH 250.
1200 NEW AL Calera - Application was for D1 1000/0.
1240 NEW CO Carbondale - Application was for U1 250/250.

AUCTION 84 APPLICATIONS FOR RECONSIDERATION DISMISSED

1500 NEW LA Four Forks - Application was for D1 1000/0.
1500 NEW CA Brawley - Application was for D1 1000/0.
1800 NEW TX Giles - Application was for D1 250/250.

OTHER ACTIONS

750 KHWG NV Fallon - New station, not yet on the air, has a CP for U1 10000/280 CH 7500.
900 WJWB ME Brunswick - Station had a CP to lower daytime power, but asked that it be rescinded. Station remains U1 10000/66.
1120 WNWF FL Destin - Station had a CP to increase power to 2200 Watts, but has asked to rescind that request. They remain D1 10000.
1150 WGEA AL Geneva - Station had applied to increase daytime and nighttime power levels to become U1 1400/172.
1170 WWVA WV Wheeling - Capstar, the licensee of WWVA, submitted a letter withdrawing the proposed move of this station to Stow, Ohio (see Auction 84 items, DX News, Issue 24). The FCC has denied the request specified to as of 12/26/2004. Station remains U1 10000/35.
1340 WFSH FL Valparaiso-Niceville - Station had a CP to reduce their power level to become U1 920/920, but has asked to rescind that request. So, they remain U1 10000/1000.
1500 KIEV CA Burbank - As near as I can make out, interpreting FCC lawyer-speak, this unbuild station was granted an extension to their CP for U4 50000/4300 to April 25, 2002. Since it remains unbuild, the FCC has denied further extensions, including the latest petition for reconsideration.

LICENSE CANCELLATIONS/CALL LETTERS DELETED

1260 WSVE FL Jacksonville
1360 KFFA AR Helena
1460 KBLJ IL Fairfield* (unbuild)
1490 KVLQ LA Vidalia
1460 WCRY NC Fuquay-Varina
1490 NEW UT Moab - Unbuilt station has had its CP deleted by the FCC.
1580 WEAM GA Columbus*

- The FCC released a notification of license cancellation for these stations, but for unknown reasons they remain in the FCC’s database.

CANADIAN NEWS

CHUM Limited has requested that the license of CFJR-830 Brockville, Ontario be revoked as the FM station built to replace CFJR is up and running. The CRTC was happy to oblige. So you can scratch out/white out, line out the listing for CFJR in your AM Log. You have one, don’t you???

Anyway, I recall the big push to occupy the frequencies of the former 1-A clear channel stations over the past 10-15 years. Now, it seems, it wasn’t such a good idea after all. They should have gone the FM route in the first place. ... The CRTC has received the following applications: CFFX-960 Kingston, Ontario is asking to add a low power (50 Watts) FM station at 93.7 MHz at 48.8 metres in order to improve its own coverage in the downtown core area on the island of Kingston. CFFX states that the population in the core downtown area, and in areas adjacent to it are experiencing drops in signal volume and interference. They claim the addition of an FM transmitter is the most economical way to improve the signal. CJNS-1240 Meadow Lake, Saskatchewan has applied to convert its facility to 102.3 MHz with 45,000 Watts ERP at 157.7 metres. They would simulcast the programming of the new FM station on CJNS for a period of six months from the date of implementation of the new station; The CBC has proposed to replace CBXJ-860, their 40-Watt repeater of CBX-740 Edmonton at Jasper, Alberta with an FM station at 98.1 MHz with 259 Watts ERP at 496.6 metres. The CBC is requesting permission to simulcast the programming of the new FM station for a period of three months from the date of implementation of the new FM transmitter. The CBC would cease operation of AM transmitter at Jasper after this period. The Commission will only proceed with this application at the public hearing if advised by the Department of Industry, at least twenty days prior to the hearing.

The FCC has denied the request as of 10/01.

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HEAR AND THAR

Fines - Station executives should read this column... if for nothing more than to see what the FCC is fining stations for. Same old story... every issue: public records and secure tower gates. Let’s hope this isn’t the reason we caught this time: WPXH-1200 Sanford, Maine has levied the amount of $13,600 for having their studio and public files housed at their office in Portland. Too far for the inspector to walk/ Tack on another $13,600 for the same violations for their FM'er. Double your pleasure! WXML-1310 Parsippany-Troy Hills, New Jersey has been fined $6,300 for failing to lock the tower fences. WSEV-930 Sevierville, Tennessee has been fined $2,400 for not updating their antenna structure information when it bought the tower. WXY9-330 Woodbury, Connecticut is about to be fined $3,200 for not powering down their nighttime-authorized one Watt. What was the special occasion? The owner had entered into a contract to carry Nebraska University football games in their entirety and the FCC monitors just happened to be listening when the signal should have been at the 1 Watt level. And it wasn’t! WPFS-1050 Alexander City, Alabama has been fined for having a lead fence around its tower base. Station officials claim they fixed the fence within days after the notice reached them, and paying that amount wasn’t economically feasible for them. But the FCC wouldn’t let them off.

Gerry Conkling of Greenbelt, Maryland wrote saying that both 540 in Pocomoke City, Maryland [which has had a CP to change city-of-license to Damascus, Maryland with U4 10000/1000 since 1996] and 700 in Walkersville, Maryland [which had a CP to change city-of-license to Damascus, Maryland with D3 25000/0 since 1996] were both using the WDMV calls. I wrote back suggesting they were simulcasting and both had a CP and/or an application pending. Gerry replied: “As of today (July 3, 2004) - both 540 and 700 are not simulcasting (separate programs altogether) - [but] both stations are identifying as WDMV. The rest of this is pure speculation on my part. Pocomoke City is on the Eastern Shore of Maryland. It is south-southwest of Ocean City. Walkersville is a suburb of Frederick in what is considered western Maryland and northwestern Washington, D.C. Pocomoke City is practically next to the Potomac River in Montgomery County and far north and northwest of Washington, D.C. Also, Damascus is closer to Frederick but east and south of Pocomoke City has only one tower and they have always used 500 watts, not 5000 watts, during the daytime and if they are on the air at night I’m certain they are using a non-directional antenna with possibly 243 watts at night as is listed in the FCC data base. 700 has a three tower array in a pyramid setup in Walkersville and their signal is strictly a north-south pattern. Right now they’re using 5000 watts DA-D. I don’t think anything is going to happen here unless 540 gets the construction permit to build near Damascus. If this happens then I think there will be one new transmitter site built for both stations and 700 will be 25000 watts DA-D and 540 will be built near Damascus and will have U4 10000/1000 and will have a tight southeast pattern. At first 540 in Pocomoke City wanted to build a 4 tower site in Brinklows, Maryland, which is south and east of Damascus, but I believe that site has fallen through but the Company who owns the station wants to move facilities from Pocomoke City to a more urban area like D.C. and 700 wants a better coverage area but why they want to pick Poolesville as their primary city of license is way far out/white out the listing for CFJR.
Beyond me.” Gerry promises to keep us informed, but as you saw in Call Letter Changes, 540 and 700 in Maryland have swapped calls. Roving reporter Jerry Starr add this insight to this situation: “To add to the comments re WDMV/WGCI, I passed thru the DC area last week and was able to hear good groundwave signals from both 540 and 700. The TID IDs were WGCI on 540 and WDMV (DeMarVa) on 700. Both these facilities have tendered various applications to relocate, each time the proposals are killed by NIMBY (not in my backyard)-Ed.-driven protests. All of their proposed sites so far have been in very affluent suburban neighborhoods. Finding enough land to build elaborate transmitter sites in the DC metro is nearly impossible due to both ultra high land values and the above mentioned NIMBY factor.

Back in Issue 27 we reported that KUTR-820 Taylorsville, Utah, a new station not yet on the air, has a CP for U8 50000/2500 CH 10000, and had applied for an amendment asking to increase that CH power to 50 kW. Mike Riordan from Salt Lake City reports he has spoken with John Danelli, their chief engineer, who said KUTR has been granted that change. They plan to be testing in October, needing only a phasor for their array. Their nighttime pattern, by the way, is fairly slender using six towers and directed at 019 degrees, while the CH pattern looks like a comic strip’s Otalk balloon headed toward 347 degrees using two towers. As of the deadline, no notice of a grant has appeared in FCC notices, but we’ll keep an eye out for it.

Station reported to be silent since the last AMS report is KEWE-91 Augusta, Massachusetts. There have been rumors???

Radio World magazine is reporting that Entercom Communications Corporation plans to convert 30% of its stations to IBOC over the next four years. The company has six stations converted now, one FM in Boston and five FMs in Seattle. Clear Channel has also committed to converting most of its stations. Entercom has equipment on order for converting eight more stations, five in Portland and three in Denver, this year, according to John Donlevie, Entercom executive vice president and general counsel. Conversion costs for the company are running from about $100,000 to $130,000. The company hasn’t released what additional markets it will convert, but will likely focus on transitioning its FM stations first. Entercom, an Iliquity investor, has 104 stations.

In addition to those mentioned in text above, we thank Shawn Axelrod, Phil Boersma, Perry Crabill, Wayne Heinen, Herb Newberry, Al Ogrizovich, Dave Schmidt, and Fred Vobbe.

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1. **610** KAVL CA Lancaster, 6/27 0846. Mentioning auto sale at Antelope Valley Nissan; extremely weak.

2. **640** CFMJ ON Richmond Hill, 7/1 2238. Ad with 416 area code, "Coast to Coast on AM 640 Talk Radio for Guys, MoJo Radio." T.L.K. new. (SP-WD)

3. **680** KFEQ MO St. Joseph, 7/8 2315. Station ID followed by Bill O'Reilly show; KNBR briefly faded out. (MR-UT) Nice one! (Ed.-NV)

4. **680** KWKA NM Clovis, 7/9 0058. "Glad All Over" by Dave Clark Five under partial KNBR null. (MR-UT) Did you manage to catch an ID, mention of Clovis, or some other clue to identify this as KWKA? (Ed.-NV)

5. **830** KFFT AZ Tucson, 7/14 into 7/15. Station in unusually loud and clear all night with reliable Antenna.

- **1200** WOAI TX San Antonio, 6/28 0003. Mentioning weather in Bexar county (rain and flooding), weatherman Scott Landsis, "at 11:03, it's 76 degrees." Fair to weak. (RA-NV)

- **1260** KSRP CA Beverly Hills, 6/27 0905. Contemporary version of "Till There Was You" by Beatles, ID. Fair signal, new logging. (RA-NV)

- **1420** KMOG AZ Payson, 6/27 2400. Call ID followed by ANC News. New logging. (RA-NV)

- **1420** KSTN CA Stockton, 6/28 0007. Call ID into music; some QRM. New logging. (RA-NV)

- **1450** KWST UT Salt Lake City Airport, 6/30 1735. Good signal. (MR-UT)

- **1620** KBLI ID Blackfoot, 6/30 1740. Fairly good signal with baseball game. (MR-UT)

- **1950** KMWE WY Kemmerseer, 7/4 into 7/5. Apparently running day power all night with oldies, loud and clear. (MR-UT)

- **1030** KFAY AR Farmington, 7/3 0817. Noted with OC only, over three UNIDs (one with GOS). Probably on night power and pattern (broad lobe SE). Likely cause storms from previous night that caused flooding and a tornado. Tulsa PBS TV off along with 106.5 that morning. (EL-MO) Not trying to be a wise guy, but how did you know it was KFAY if there was only OC? (Ed.-NV)

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### UNIT HELP

Herbert Newberry writes that Ira New's UNID on 710 kHz, reported in the last issue (DXN 7128) is WUFF in Eastman, GA. "Obviously, they were on after hours ... they simulcast with WUFF-FM 97.5 using slogan 'Big Wool Radio'. I've heard them here mixing well with WOR and WAQI. A daytime regional regular.

Also in Issue 7128, Herb states that John Hunter's presumed KSAH was correct. "Most likely they just took advantage of the power they had due to the angle on their antenna - to music. Fading up and down, very good at peaks. (HN-GA)

Doug Smith writes that Ira New's UNID on 920 is WTCX, sister station to WXXQ-103.9.

### STATION NEWS

**WINZ FL Miami** - 7/12 - Per South Florida Sun-Sentinel, station has flipped formats from Fox Sports Radio to liberal-leaning talk, featuring Air America Radio. Among the shows is one hosted by ex-Florida Randi Rhodes. Station slogan is "South Florida's #1 Progressive Talk." Was tipped off by "The Al Franken Show" welcoming WINZ. (DP-HI)

**WNEM MI Frankenmuth** - 8/4/1340 - fair with news headlines, weather, and traffic info, "Mid Michigan's News Leader" slogan, will rebroadcast all newscasts from its sister WNEM TV CH 5. Ex-WKKN. (JF-ON)

**WYOS NV Brighton** - Adds "Kim Komando Computer Show" per program 7/17; station slogan is "Talkradio 13-60 AM." (DP-HI)

**WHMP MA Northampton** - 7/12 - Adds Air America Radio 7/5, per "The Al Franken Show" 7/12. (DP-HI)

**WRMR OH Cleveland** - Per WCLV-FM website and Business Wire, WCLV-FM has sold its sister station WMR to its previous owners, Salem Communications, which originally sold the station in 2001. Salem is to change the station's format from adult standards to conservative talk (William Bennett, Laura Ingraham, Dennis Prager, Michael Medved, Hugh Hewitt) on 7/12 and bring back its old callsign, WHK, along with the slogan "NewsTalk 14-20." (RA-NV) WCLV Talk 1420, WHK, Cleveland. Back to these heritage calls, ex-WMRR. 1220 Cleveland is now WHKX. (JF-ON)

### PREVIOUS AND UNID

- **1370** KUNDP ND Grand Forks - 7/10 2115 - Jazz or near jazz music, poor under WWCB and WSPD. (DT-ON)

- **1400** WTCY PA Harrisburg - 7/9 2115 - Urban contemporary or gospel, poor, interference from 3 unidentified. (DT-ON)

### STATION LOGGINGS

- **560** WMK KY Middlesboro - 6/30 0012 - mixing with WVOC, holding its own with ads for local businesses. Good, if WVOC was observing a silent period. (HN-GA)

- **610** WIP PA Philadelphia - 7/19 1058 - over WSNR-620 slop with usual sports talk about Eagles training camp. (MBK-NY)

- **640** WWJZ NJ Mount Holly - 7/19 1256 - blasting in with Radio Disney juvenile junk. // WQEW-1560. Thought this was a WQEW spur at first! (MKB-NY)

- **730** WJTO ME Bath - 8/3 1751 - Weak signal just above noise. Music, ID "WJTO Memories 70." (AK-MA)

- **760** WCIS NC Morgantown - 6/28 0610 - on suddenly wiping out WJR. Fair on random waves/phase. WGCC on in background, mixing at times. ID'd by slogan, "Powerhouse 76, North Carolina's gospel powerhouse." Weather, then back to music. Fading up and down, very good at peaks. (HN-GA)

- **790** WAEB PA Allentown - 7/19 1230 - fair-good with ad for Becker Subaru and ID as "73 degrees at news-talk 790 WAEB" during break in Rush Limbaugh show. (MKB-NY)

- **810** WMGC TN Murfreesboro - 7/2 0000 - Sports talk from WSNR in Nashville, then into ABC News at TOH. "810, WMGC, Murfreesboro." (JF-ON)
1500 WHTG NJ Eatontown - 7/19 1202 - good with slogan "Great gold 1410 WHTG, no one gives you more great memories than Monmouth County's oldest station" into The Letter by the Box Tops. (MKB-NY)

1470 WTKO NY Ithaca - 7/6 2222 - Older popular music, weather, ID as "right here on WTKO". Poor. (DT-ON)

1490 WBCB PA Levittown - 7/19 1105 - over WZRC-1480 slop with USA Radio Network news, PSA from Pennsylvania Higher Education Foundation, ID as "WBCB news time is 11:05" into local news. (MKB-NY)

1520 KRHW MO Siloam Springs - 6/30 0031 - Classic country. Very good signal at times, but subject to fading. 1/4 drop was like listening to a local station! "The classic country station, 1520, KRHW." A great catch for me at my place as 1520 is usually is not very good with slogan "Great gold 1410 WHTG, no one gives you more great memories than Monmouth County's oldest station" into The Letter by the Box Tops. (MKB-NY)

1560 WAGL SC Lancaster - 6/30 0912 - "memories of your life, let WAGL take you there." New format with NOS, lots of 50s style doo-wop music. Very good with slogan "Great gold 1410 WHTG, no one gives you more great memories than Monmouth County's oldest station" into The Letter by the Box Tops. (MKB-NY)

1660 WDSS MI Ada - 7/5 2118 - Disney network show, short ID as "WDSS 1680", poor; some interference from WTM. Poor. (DT-ON)

1690 WHTW IL Berwyn - 7/3 2307 - Older popular music, mostly older rock, ad for State Farm Insurance giving Chicago area agents' names and addresses. (DT-ON)

1710 Pirate NY Brooklyn - 7/19 1152 - Lubavitcher pirate in at poor, fluttery level with EE talk about home schooling interspersed with Talmud verses. (MKB-NY)

TIS/HAR

590 WPFP980 NJ - 7/19 1056 - blasting in at almost roadside level with NJ Turnpike construction announcements, ID as "This is the New Jersey Turnpike Authority Highway Advisory Radio WPFP980, 980 on your AM dial". (MKB-NY)

1640 WPXX NC Benson - 7/17 1600 - noted while on 140 West just entering Johnston County. Rebroadcast of NOAA Weather Radio station KX172. Intermittent ID's made for what sounded like WPFA 16-40, also operating agency given as North Carolina Department of Transportation. FCC database lists callsign as WPXX. Approximate distance between transmitter site and logging site (if 40 at Johnston County line) 21 miles. Good signal. (NH-ON)

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Agenda: Nothing formal at all. This is a chance to have fun, exchange ideas, make new friendships, and renew old ones. If you like bring along antennas, stickers, QSL's, photos, or any show-and-tell items. Be sure to bring your camera for our annual group photos.

For more information and a complete invitation, please contact your host: Tim Noonan - 8750 S Country Drive, Apt. 102 - Oak Creek WI 53154-7521, 414-762-2702, DXing2@aol.com."
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<td>Rolling Stones “Sympathy for the Devil”; to fair peak through WROK slot.</td>
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<td><strong>SPAIN</strong></td>
<td>RNE1 Sevilla</td>
<td>J UL 1 0038</td>
<td>Guitar music and Spanish talk about it, mention of “CD”; good with WROK phasing.</td>
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**Note:** To update your DX Library's *DXers' Technical Guide* 4th edition published by the IARU and the *Antenna Reference Manual, Volume 3* from the NRC are two outstanding books that belong on every DX'er's shelf. Both are packed with info to super-charge your DX experience. And off the Internet, David Ricquish reports in the July New DX Times, “The Asian AM Guide, maintained by Alan G. Davies, is the most comprehensive list of Asian AM stations I've seen, with a lot of detail on Indonesians, Philippinos, Chinese, Koreans, Thais, Japanese, etc. listed in frequency order, with call sign, location, power, networks, schedules, websites, etc. Alan is currently in Indonesia and frequently updating the Indonesian content.” Copies may be downloaded and printed for personal use at www.asiawaves.net.
Brucemail:

Mark email:

some of the more common transatlantics were heard. Static wasn't too bad considering the time of year. I tried out the Micro-Ewe antenna design for the first time; subsequent tests have shown even better cardiod pattern results with a "Micro-Flag" design. DXers attending this annual event (and the occasional South Shore version in OCT/NOV) often bring out some new antenna, accessory, or receiver idea. These get-togethers are always fun, even when conditions aren't the best.

Pan-American DX

VENEZUELA YVLL R.Ramirez, Caracas JUL 1 0120 - Mentions of "beisbol venezolano"; over others. [Connelly-MA]

CUBA CMHW Doblev, Santa Clara JUL 24 0500 - "Doblev" with music and talk, WHAS off. [Renshaw-NY]

AUSTRALIA 4QF Brisbane JUL 11 1200 - Heard with typical Metro Service Aussie talk by males at good level. [Bryant-WA]

UKRAINIAN DX

IRELAND BBC R.Ulster, Lisnagarvey JUL 1 0143 - Man and woman in English; fair to good. [Connelly-MA]

AUSTRALIA 2CO Albany JUL 11 1225 - This presumed the one here with talk by females at poor level. [Bryant-WA]

AUSTRALIA 2KP Kempsey JUL 11 1238 - Heard parallel 4CO and also mixing with another other than 8RN Trenant Creek. Both at fair to poor level. [Bryant-WA]

AUSTRALIA 2BL Sydney JUL 10 1248 - Sydney Metropolitan Service noted here with 'Saturday Night Country' an 'ABC Local Radio' (RR network) program. From the numerous ABC Local Radio promos, it was clear that much of all three ABC networks join ABC Local Radio for this program for most of Saturday night... probably from about 10 p.m. local time, in a rolling joint-up from east to west. Signal was excellent at times. Also noted July 11. [Bryant-WA]

AUSTRALIA 2NR Grafton JUL 10 1116 - Both 2RN (ABC RR Service) and several Metropolitan Service stations carrying a sporting event where one team represented Auckland, NZ. Possibly soccer. Fair signal; parallel 774 and others. [Bryant-WA]

TAHITI RFO R.Tahiti, Mahina JUL 9 0438 - Rapidly building signal, first heard at 0430, then throughout the night. Very good by 1200. Also noted July 11. [Bryant-WA]

AUSTRALIA 3LO Melbourne JUL 9 1111 - Poor at this time but building throughout dawn enhancement. Typical Aussie talk ABC Metro Service programming. Also noted July 10, 11. [Bryant-WA]

JAPAN JOUB NHK2 Akita JUL 10 1158 - Here at fair level briefly on top of Aussie. Japanese talk by male. Fade at top of hour. Fair to good level. Also noted July 11. [Bryant-WA]

AUSTRALIA 4AL Alice Creek JUL 11 1243 - Tentative this one with music show hosted by female. Not parallel 2310 kHz. Poor as band began to fade. [Bryant-WA]

AUSTRALIA 4RN Brisbane JUL 10 1201 - Here after top of hour at good level with ABC International/New York News. Male and female news readers. [Bryant-WA]

AUSTRALIA 3CO Adelaide JUL 9 1148 - Presumed; noted here parallel 774 (unusual) with part of a sports event. Poor level, but clearly parallel 774 and 891. Also noted July 10. [Bryant-WA]

JAPAN JOBB NHK2 Osaka JUL 11 1121 - Briefly mixing with dominating 3LO, with Japanese talk and possible language activity. Fair level. [Bryant-WA]

AUSTRALIA 5A Radio Melbourne JUL 11 1220 - Mixed signal; parallel 774 and others. [Bryant-WA]

NEW ZEALAND 2ZB Wellington JUL 11 1250 - Presumed; brief log at band fade with two men talking in DU accents. This the only DU station listed. Fair and coming, due to dawn at Grayland. [Bryant-WA]

AUSTRALIA 4TH Thursday Island JUL 10 1320 - Noted with Saturday Night Country program at good level parallel others. [Bryant-WA]

MARTINIQUE EMJ Majuro JUL 9 1122 - Heard at good level with
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island music and presumed Marshalese lang by male host. Best number was a gonzo

fohn speaks: MW conditions on July 10 1130 - Presumed; poor to fair signal during part of max dawn. Also noted July 11. [Bryant-WA]

1569 CHINA Heinlongjiang News Station JUL 10 1155 - Presumed; fair to poor at 1155, fading to nothing at the top of the hour, natural.

1573 CHINA Heilongjiang News Station JUL 10 1155 - Presumed; fair to poor at 1155, fading to nothing at the top of the hour, natural. Only Chinese of DXpedition for me. Also noted July 11. [Bryant-WA]

John speaks: MW conditions on July 9th during a brief DXpedition to Grayland, Washington, were among the worst encountered in my 18 years of DXing from the Pacific Northwest, with only the staunchest of old friends making a showing, largely at max dawn. The 10th and 11th saw conditions improving somewhat. The usual mid-summer pattern of much reception being from Dawn On, Under continued. The only remarkable logs were several very tentative logs to Australia-Northern Territory: Darwin, Katherine and Alice Springs and a presumed log of 1566 3NE Wangaratta on top of the HLAZ FEBB mega-powerhouse on Cheju Island, Rep. of Korea.

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International News

ANDORRA: 2004, le retour de Radio Andorra... Après plus de 22 ans dans la nuit du silence, Radio Andorra va-t-elle à nouveau émettre sur l'Europe! La lumière va renaître au cœur de l'obscurité, pour raver la tradition de la radio et éclairer l'avenir. Emissions-tests en AM depuis un territoire périphérique. Emissions en AM 702 kHz les 16, 17, et 18 juin 2004 de 16h00 à 22h30 GMT (600 kW) et de 22h30 à 06h00 GMT (300 kW). [www.radioandorra.com via Nolan Stephany and Jim Renfrew]

COLOMBIA: R-Bacurana ceased operation on May 31, 2004. From the beginning, the network consisted of 10 AM frequencies (Medellin 590, Cali 700, Santafe de Bogotá 850, Barranquilla 1040, Cúcuta 1090, Duitama 1150, Cartagena 1200, Neiva 1210, Bucaramanga 1270, and Valledupar 1380). At the time of closing, just Medellin, Cali and Bogotá aired the program. [Henrik Klemetz, dxing.info, and Ray Crawford, July New Zealand DX Times, NZRDXL]

FRANCE: RMC Info is now in the air in the 1584 kHz. First heard SRC on 25 June 2004 at 1930 with ball若干France-Greece on location in the south of Belgium. Good reception also on daytime, transmitter Strasbourg and/or Mulhouse? Here in the Netherlands this evening on June 27 also fair reception at daytime. Transmission is parallel 216 kHz. [Haj Huibens, NVWC E-Mail News, via July 5 ARC Info Desk]

IRELAND: RTE’s Medium Wave service will close between July and November 2004, for essential maintenance work will take place on the MW transmitter at Tullamore. The transmitter and the mast are thirty years old and badly in need of an overhaul. This means that RTE Radio 1 will broadcast on AM 567 (500 kW) from 19.00 to 22.00, (10 kW) at Cork remains on. RTE Radio 1 is also available on stereo FM and Long Wave 252. [www.rite.ie]

LIBYA: A strong signal from Voice of Africa observed on 27 June at 1449 kHz at 2305 time-in (presumably there at least two weeks before this date as per a log made by a German listener on 13 June and by a French listener in the July MWM). News in English at 0243, then French. Also heard on June 29 to 0335 with news in English. Though there is an existing low powered transmitter in Libya on 1449, Anker Petersen commented that when he was in Malta at the end of October 2003 he did not hear this transmitter at all during his stay. New transmitter or ex-1251? Assuming 1449 is on air throughout the day, news in English and French should be heard at the following approx. times: 2003, 2120, 2230, 2330, 0020, 0120, 0215, 0310. [Tony Rogers, Aug UK Communication, BDXC, via World of Radio, Aug 3 DX Listening Digest]

NETHERLANDS: Radio 10 Gold has moved from 1395 to 1008 kHz. First heard on 1008 in the early evening of June 30. It seems 1995 will stay on in parallel until the end of July. [July 5 ARC Info Desk]

Waiakaruru Winter Solstice Trail 2004

DXpedition report compiled by Paul Ormandy, July New Zealand DX Times

Stu Forsyth, Steven Greenery and Paul Ormandy braved the winter weather on New Zealand’s North Island to search for signals from the northern extremes of the world (including many unexpected ones). As weather conditions improved, actually the weather was pretty good for mid-winter! to spend two nights at Waiakaruru, and were rewarded with some very good reception on both shortwave and mediumwave. The most significant reception on MW came from low-power Brazilians on several frequencies, and while not enough for logs, the absence of the usual powerful American powerhouses, made their reception all the more unique. On SW, the 60 metre band was open all day, with amazing reception of Mauritania and India around midday (0000 UTC). We’ll be back again next year!

770 COLOMBIA RCN Bogotá 0645 - Very good signal; news stories.

840 ARGENTINA R General Belgrano, Buenos Aires 0339 - Up nicely with ID, weather and temperature in Buenos Aires, then flute version of “El Condor Pasa.”

920 VENEZUELA R.Nueva Esparta, Porlamar 0759 - Up briefly with cabled ID, time check, and pops.

980 BRAZIL R.Nacional do Brasil, Brasilia 0704 - Up briefly with ID and talk but soon disappeared.

1280 BRAZIL R.Tapi, Rio de Janeiro 0501 - Fair; jingle ID, peaking nicely for a period.

1310 VENEZUELA R.Nacional de Venezuela, Barcelona 0622 - Poor to fair with talk.

1312 ARGENTINA R.Nacional, Gualeguaychu 0335 - Good; talk, ID, and flute music.

1380 CHILE R.Nacional, Santiago 0335 - Dominant with religion program.

1400 VENEZUELA R.Mambata, Maracaibo 1019 - Briefly dominating the channel with ID and dance music.

1540 BAHAMA R.Bahamas, Nassau 0410 - Fair and in the clear with investment advice.

1570 BRAZIL unID 0500 - Jingles, weather, “born dia” calls, actually measured frequency as 1569.85 kHz. This is a graveyard channel of mostly 250 watters, signals heard on 1450, 1520, 1590, and 1590 kHz.

1630 ARGENTINA R.Buen Aire, Buenos Aires 0416 - Presumed; poor signal with talk in Spanish.

1660 UNITED STATES KWQB, North Dakota 0352 - Poor - over mix with talk format, carrying CNN news, ID, “North Dakota’s news leader... KWQB.”

73 and Good DX!

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You may want to start at your local Convention and Visitors Bureau or local Chamber of Commerce to tell them about the convention. Often those organizations can help with hotel and restaurant suggestions and give you information about the local area. They may alert you to community events planned for those same days that would interest some of our attendees.

Do not sign any commitment on your own or on behalf of the National Radio Club. You must be at least 21 years of age to sign any contracts. If your bid is accepted by the NRC Board, you will receive more information about how to work with hotels, food services and other local organizations that will make your convention one of the best.

2. AFTER YOUR BID HAS BEEN ACCEPTED:
   There are logical steps to follow once you are confirmed by the NRC as the official host for an upcoming convention. The NRC Board Chairperson may appoint one of the Board members to work with you directly and you will receive both a letter and a phone call with that information. He will work with you on each of the following points:
   a. Secure a hotel reservation immediately.
   You should ask for 25 rooms to be set aside for attendees and two meeting rooms for 3 days in the hotel for our meetings. Be sure the prices you quote include all taxes and gratuities.
   b. Secure a date and time for the annual banquet (usually held Saturday evening). If the banquet is to be held in the hotel, fine! If it is in another building, you should consider the transportation between the hotel and the restaurant.
   c. Determine the cost we must charge for attendees. This would include a share of the two rooms (but not their sleeping rooms), the banquet, share of the beer and soft drinks. Get okay from between the hotel and the restaurant.
   d. Plan a tour of a local broadcasting station if possible. Note that many stations just don’t have a staff in place on weekends, so this may become a Friday event. Decide if their transmitting site would be an interesting tour.
   e. Your Board Member “consultant” will discuss these things with you other amenities about public–

Here is some Major and Minor League Baseball information. And it is time to start gathering National Football League (NFL) and Canadian Football League (CFL) network information.

Douglas Smith sent me a Detroit Tigers network that was on the back page of “Radioguide 2004”; the list matches the Tigers list that I published in a previous column.

Montreal Expos (EE) 2004 Elliot Price, Mitch Melnick
   From pocket guide via Mike Brooker
   98.5 CKOO-PQ* (no network)

Montreal Expos (FF) 2004 Jacques Doucet, Marc Giffon
   From pocket guide via Mike Brooker
   990 CKGM-PQ* 101.2 CFEL-PQ 102.9 CJOR-PQ
   99.9 CFVM-PQ

Minors League Baseball’s Northern League from www.northernleague.com (via James Borek)
   Fargo-Moorhead Redhawks 970 WDAY-ND Gary Southshore Rail Cats 1230 WJOB-IN

Joliet Jack Hammers 1340 WJOL-IL Sioux City Explorers 1360 KSCJ-AM
   Kansas City T Bones 1340 KCKN-KS Sioux Falls Canaries 1220 KWSN-SD
   Lincoln Salt Dogs 1240 KFOR-NE St. Paul Saints 950 KSBN-MN
   Schaumburg Flyers 89.1 WOON-IL Winnipeg Goldeyes 680 CJOB-MB

Here is the NRC column where we are going to sign up for memory retention lessons and show everyone they really do work! When sending your items along, please keep them radio and DXing related, tell us what equipment you’re using, your best catches, etc. REMINDER: With the start of the new year volume for DX News, we have to leave INTRODUCTION REPORTS where you intro-

duce yourself to the membership. And if you’re a new member, send along your own INTRODUC-

tion REPORT. Who knows, maybe even ED KREJNY will send in one this year! MUSINGS? Here we go:

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Hello everyone! This is my first Musings, and I’ve been a member of NRC for many years!! I’m 64 years old, happily single all my life, and have lived at my present location for twelve years and forty-two years in nearby Bethesda, MD. As far back as I can remember, I’ve always carried a radio around with me and I was mostly listening to the AM band. What really caught my interest was trying to find out why AM signals would get stronger or weaker at dusk and why and how radio stations have directional signals. Of course now I’ve found out the reasons why but I still find myself chasing down new stations or trying to find the transmitting site of those stations.

A lot of work? Sure, but spread out over most of a year, you’ll be amazed at how easily the pieces all fit together. So send in a bid and we’ll get back to you shortly! Thanks!!